

Substitute for Form 1449/PTO

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

Use as many sheets as necessary)

Sheet NOV 03 2006

1 of 2

Complete if Known

Application Number	005826.P002
Filing Date	2/8/2002
First Named Inventor:	Attilio Rimoldi
Art Unit	2128
Examiner Name	Jones, Hugh M.

Attorney Docket Number 005826.P002

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Document Number	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
	Number-Kind Code ² (if known)			
RAJ	us- 6,681,145	1/20/2004	T. A. Greenwood, et al.	
	us- 6,686,914	2/3/2004	Bryan F. Keener	
	6,952,660	10/4/2005	Dan Matheson	
	6,985,835	1/10/2006	Michal Etzion, et al.	
	2002/0035450	3/21/2002	J. D. Thackston, et al.	
	2002/0083398	6/27/2002	Hiroji Takeyama, et al.	
TKJ	2002/0123812	9/5/2002	Sankar Jayaram, et al.	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T ³
		Country Code ³ Number ⁴ Kind Code ⁵ (if known)				

NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No ¹	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published	T ²
RAJ		CHUNG, K., et al., "Extended Variational Design Technology-Foundation For Integrated Design Automation," ACM 1999, Pages 13-22.	
RAJ		SHIH, C.H., et al., "A Design/Constraint Model To Capture Design Intent," ACM 1997, pages 255-264.	

Examiner Signature

Date Considered

4/15/07

*Examiner: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ²Applicant is to place a check mark here if English Translation is attached. This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450. If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.



Attorney's Docket No. 005826.P002

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Patent Application of:

Attilio Rimoldi, et al.

Application No.: 10/071,472

Filed: February 8, 2002

For: METHODS AND SYSTEM FOR
DESIGNING OBJECTS USING
FUNCTIONAL OBJECT REPRESENTATION

Examiner: Jones, Hugh M.

Art Unit: 2128

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Enclosed is a copy of Information Disclosure Citation Form PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08 together with copies of the documents cited on that form, except for copies not required to be submitted (e.g., copies of U.S. patents and U.S. published patent applications need not be enclosed). It is respectfully requested that the cited documents be considered and that the enclosed copy of Information Disclosure Citation Form PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08 be initialed by the Examiner to indicate such consideration and a copy thereof returned to applicant(s).

FIRST CLASS CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail with sufficient postage in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

on November 1, 2006

Date of Deposit

Michelle Begay

Name of Person Mailing Correspondence

Signature

Michelle B

November 1, 2006

Date

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97, the submission of this Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made and is not to be construed as an admission that the information cited in this statement is material to patentability.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97, this Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted under one of the following (as indicated by an "X" to the left of the appropriate paragraph):

X 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b).

 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c). If so, then enclosed with this Information Disclosure Statement is one of the following:

 A statement pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e) or

 A check for \$180.00 for the fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p).

 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d). If so, then enclosed with this Information Disclosure Statement are the following:

(1) A statement pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e); and

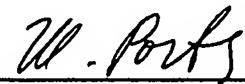
(2) A check for \$180.00 for the fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) for submission of the Information Disclosure Statement.

If there are any additional charges, please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,

BLAKELY, SOKOLOFF, TAYLOR & ZAFMAN LLP

Dated: November 1, 2006



Marina Portnova
Reg. No. 45,750

12400 Wilshire Blvd.
Seventh Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90025
(408) 720-8300